

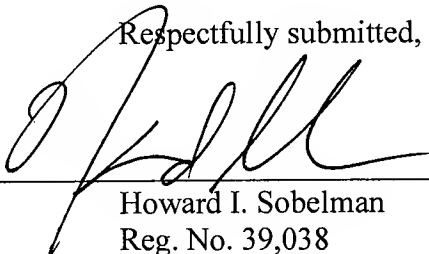
REMARKS

Applicants file this SUPPLEMENTAL Reply based upon the Examiner's request in the phone conference with Applicants' counsel on January 12, 2010. The Examiner raised certain 35 USC 101 concerns with the independent claims. Applicants respectfully disagree, but to expedite allowance, Applicants amend certain claims to clarify the patentable subject matter, in line with the suggestions provided by the Examiner.

Claims 1-2, 5-6, 11-16 and 25-42 are pending with this Reply. Support for the amendments may be found in the originally-filed specification, claims, and figures. No new matter has been introduced by the amendments. Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

Applicants respectfully submit that the pending claims are in condition for allowance. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees, which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. **19-2814**. Applicant invites the Examiner to telephone the undersigned if the Examiner has any questions regarding this Reply or the present application in general.

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